VIDEO OF THE WEEK
Renton Farmers Market is steps away from the City Center Parking Garage (655 S. Second St.). This week’s video shows how easy it is to park in the garage and get to the market. The market has farm-fresh produce and flowers, arts & crafts from local artisans, breads, wines, and prepared foods. In addition, there’s a dollar-for-dollar match for up to $40 with SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) Market Match Bucks. Included are P-EBT (Pandemic Electronic Benefits Transfer) benefits. The Kid’s Corner has several activities, and there’s live music on the Piazza Park Terrace. Renton Farmers Market is open every Tuesday from 3 to 7 p.m. at Gateway Park (S. Third St. & Logan Ave. S) through September 28. The market’s website posts weekly specials.

PHOTOS OF THE WEEK
Sustainable Renton and Communities In School receive grants
On Thursday, King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn presented two $12,500 community service operating grant checks to Sustainable Renton and Communities In School Renton-Tukwila. Pictured in the top photo are Mayor Armondo Pavone, Councilmember Dunn, Sustainable Renton President Steve Randolph, Renton City Councilmember Valerie O’Halloran, and Renton City Council President Randy Corman. In the lower photo are Mayor Pavone, Councilmember Dunn, Communities In School Renton-Tukwila Executive Director Jaime Greene, Council President Corman, and Councilmember O’Halloran.
New Legislation
Renton police and the new laws that take effect this Sunday

We have created a page on our website dedicated to this new legislation. You’ll find a message from Interim Renton Police Chief Jon Schuldt, a Frequently Asked Questions section, and detailed information about the legislation.

In several bills, the training Renton officers receive was already aligned with the stated purpose. However, if a change in training was needed, those adjustments have been made to comply with the legislation.

We urge you to visit the page to familiarize yourself with this new legislation.

Monday is first day to register for HMAC second season

A reminder that reservations for the second season at Henry Moses Aquatic Center open on Monday, July 26 at 8 a.m. The second season runs from Aug. 1 to Sept. 6.

If you currently do not have an account in our PerfectMind registration system, you’ll need to create one before registering.

Please remember, only tickets purchased through PerfectMind will be honored for admission.

Sunday is the first of four events to pamper your pooch

This Sunday, July 25, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., come with your donations to the pet food drive at Renton Community Center (1715 Maple Valley Hwy.) sponsored by the city and Renton Chamber of Commerce.

On Tuesday, July 27, from 4-8 p.m., again in partnership with the chamber, Renton’s dogs and their owners are invited to enjoy an evening stroll through downtown.

On Thursday, July 29, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., enjoy Puppuccinos in the Park at Cedar River Dog Park. There will be a free Puppuccino for your pup. While at the event, you can register for the return of our Pooch Plunge series at Henry Moses Aquatic Center in September.

Finally, on Sunday, August 1, from 12-4 p.m., enjoy Yappy Hour on the dock at Bayview Regency at Lake Washington. The Hyatt will donate $1 from every Tito’s drink purchased at Dock & Drink to the Seattle Humane Society during Yappy Hour. Register your dog for Pooch Plunge, get information on pet licensing, animal recreation opportunities, and more.

FitLot ribbon cutting on July 29

We’re cutting the ribbon to officially open our newest exercise area at North Highlands Neighborhood Center (2004 NE 18th Street) on July 29 at 3 p.m.

The equipment is designed for everyone 18 and above. Join the celebration to see how it’s used and learn about upcoming classes.

FitLot and AARP have teamed up to bring fully funded AARP Sponsored Outdoor Fitness Parks to all 50 states. Renton is the lucky recipient in Washington state. This is another Age-Friendly Renton initiative from our Community Services’ Recreations & Neighborhoods Division.
Virtual Youth Public Safety Academy

The first activity for the Virtual Youth Public Safety Academy was posted on Renton Police Department’s Facebook page on Wednesday. The activities are posted every Wednesday and are self-paced, so you can still take part.

The five-week academy, which includes Renton Regional Fire Authority, is designed for five to 12-year-olds.

On Wednesday, August 18, the last activity will be a virtual Q&A with a police officer and firefighter. It’s an excellent opportunity to ask questions and learn about police and fire careers.

Pre-register to attend the Q&A only.

River Days kicks off 2021 events

This Saturday from 3 to 8:30 p.m. is “Music at the Piazza,” an afternoon and evening of music, food and drinks at Piazza Park and Renton Pavilion Event Center.

The featured bands are Off the Hook – Old Skool Kool from 3:30–5 p.m. and Benicio ‘Beni’ Bryant and Average Joe w/Sound Proof from 6–8 p.m. In addition, there will be a craft beer & wine garden and Rain City Too Food Truck on site.

Music at the Piazza is one of several events planned for River Days in 2021, as they utilize neighborhood-based events. The city has a long-standing partnership with Renton River Days, a 501c3 nonprofit organization, and works closely with them to put on events.

VACCINE CLINIC

Free vaccination clinic on Saturday

Viet-Wah Asian Food Market and International Community Health Services will host a walk-in COVID-19 vaccination clinic on Saturday, July 24, from 12 to 3 p.m. Viet-Wah is located at 2055 Sunset Blvd, 98056.

The clinic will offer both the Pfizer (12+) and Johnson & Johnson (18+) vaccines. Minors should be accompanied by their parent or legal guardian.

Language support in Spanish, Mandarin, Cantonese, and Vietnamese will be available.

For questions or to reserve a vaccine please contact Jess via email or by calling 206-462-7166.

Play Equity Coalition wants input from King County youth

King County Play Equity Coalition wants input from King County youth aged 13 to 18. The one-hour conversation will gather feedback on how the coalition can integrate young voices via a Youth Action Team. The discussions will focus on advancing access and opportunity in sport, outdoor recreation, and physical activity in King County. All participants will receive an Amazon gift card.

Youth can attend one of two ZOOM calls:

- Monday, July 26, 1-2 p.m.
- Monday, Aug. 2, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Sign-up by emailing Sam at playkc@uw.edu.

RENTON REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY
RRFA sees rise in connection thefts
Renton Regional Fire Authority (RRFA) is concerned about a rise in thefts of connections and standpipe valves. These fixtures allow firefighters to supplement a building’s fire sprinkler system or get water to crews around and inside large buildings. The affected facilities are large multifamily residences and large warehouses. The fixtures are made of brass and have a value of $25 to $35 on the scrap metal market. But the cost to repair and replace them typically exceeds $1,000, a charge borne by the building owner or its occupant. Additionally, during a fire, the risk to the public, businesses, and firefighters is significantly increased.

RRFA has provided these tips in case of theft or tampering of equipment:
1. Regularly check the fire department connection and standpipe fittings.
2. If you see someone other than a fire sprinkler contractor or firefighter tampering with a connection or standpipe valve, contact Renton police at 911 (emergency) or 425-235-2121 (non-emergency).
3. If a fixture is missing, immediately report it to Renton police and contact the RRFA’s Fire Marshal at fire marshal@rentonrfa.org or via phone at 425-276-9580.

RECREATION
Register for fall kickball co-ed leagues
Remember playing kickball as a kid? Registration for leagues is open, so gather your friends, family and co-workers and get ready to kick some red rubber balls.
Fall co-ed league play begins mid-August with games played on Thursdays, from 6 to 10 p.m. Four men and four women must be on the field at the start of a game. Officials will be provided.

SERVICES
Limited services available at city hall
We’re continuing our limited in-person services at city hall. Finance and police counters are open Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Court Services are available Thursdays and Fridays, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The in-person permit counter is closed, but is available online.

CITY COUNCIL
July 19 meeting
• Meeting documents (approved committee reports, motion sheets, and council committee meeting calendar)
• Council meeting video
• Committee of the Whole video
• Approved Minutes (July 12 meeting)
During the COVID-19 pandemic, the Renton City Council meets via Zoom. For information on viewing or participating in a council meeting, go to rentonwa.gov/council. Past meetings are available at rentonwa.gov/youtube.

The council will next meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 2. Committee of the Whole will meet at 6 p.m.

CALENDAR
Daily, Senior Meals, Mon.-Fri., 11 a.m., free, drive-thru sack lunch pick up at Renton Senior Activity Center, 277 Burnett Ave. N. Limited quantities.
Monday, 5-7 p.m., Sustainable Renton Free Film through August, online at Milwaukie Lutheran Church, 1100 8th Ave. NE.
This Week in Renton
Tuesdays, 3–7 p.m., Renton Farmers Market
Gateway Park, South Third Street & Logan Avenue South through Sept. 28.

Wednesdays, 6 p.m., Renton Live!
Online connection promoting business, nonprofits, and attractions within the greater Renton community. Find the weekly link on the Renton Live Facebook page.

Library resources and events— الفكر, Online filter event, or program, and location 快速
Renton Outdoor Coast & Forest presents an outdoor adventure in city parks. On Sunday mornings, discover local feathered friends and other wildlife in Birding Education, Birding Social, or River Walks Series. Monday evenings: Strolling in nature for your creative side. 资源快速
“Renton Outdoors” in the search box for the full lineup.

Tuesdays in July, 12:30–2 p.m., Emergency Feeding Program at Liberty Park. Weekly free lunch event for the unhoused and residents with food insecurities. Along with ready-to-eat food and drinks, personal hygiene kits, socks, and cleaning supplies will be available.

Renton History Museum Facing the Inferno: The Wildfire Photography of Kari Greer through July 30. It features over 60 dramatic photographs taken by the official photographer for the National Interagency Fire Center. The museum is open Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Friday, July 30, 3–5 p.m., Skyway Resource Center at Campbell Hill Elementary. This event, held every other Friday, is a FREE drive-through multi-service center to access various resources. Find the events on the Renton Innovation Zone Partnership Facebook page.

COVID-19 VACCINE

Valley Medical Center
Walk in at Puyallup and Moderna Free clinic for anyone 12 and older from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

HealthPoint
Drive through testing and vaccination site, offers drive through access for the Pfizer vaccine. Appointments for 12–16 year olds or new patients can be made by calling 866-893-5717.

Kaiser Permanente
Glacier Building and the Rainier Building are accepting appointments. You do not have to be a Kaiser Permanente member.

Mass vaccination sites
Kent: The ShoWare Center, 625 W. James St., Kent, WA 98032
Auburn: 1101 Outlet Collection Way, Suite 1331, Auburn, WA 98001

For telephone-to-text relay service, dial: 7-1-1 or 1-800-833-6384. For tactile interpretation, contact: 711-WA (WASH). Walk-in vaccination (no appointment required) is also available Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., while supplies last.